(c) The results achieved so far include:—

(i) Improvement in quality of service to customers;

(ii) Improvement in productivity; and

(iii) Improvement in Management Information System.

(d) Representation was received from District Youth Congress(I), Ajmer for setting up computerised Passenger Reservation System at Ajmer.

(e) The reservation work-load at Ajmer does not justify provision of computerised Passenger Reservation System at this stage.

Survey for New Railway Lines

1860. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of places where survey has been conducted to lay new railway lines during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the estimated cost of these lines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) 28 Surveys have been completed in the last 3 years. 15 more have been taken up.

(b) The cost of construction of these 28 projects is estimated at Rs. 5450 Crores.

Train Service on Ujjain-Devas-Indore Section

1861. SHRI SATYNARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to introduce any regular and fast train service on Ujjain-Devas-Indore route on both broad-gauge and metre-gauge lines to meet the public demand of these areas; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Increase in Crude Oil Prices

1862. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:

SHRI VIJAYA KUMAR YADAV:

SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA:

SHRI SIMON MARANDI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has demanded 50 per cent increase in the price of domestic crude oil;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) its likely effect on our economy?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (d) Recommendations of the Oil Price Review Committee (OPRC) which cover, inter-alia, the issue of domestic crude oil price are under examination of the Government.

Level Crossing at Ambagam (SER)

1863. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to construct a level crossing near